

cartridges selected from the group consisting of a valve, a filter, a conditioning agent and a blank.

19. (New) The system of claim 18, wherein each of the cartridges have an annular shape.

20. (New) The system of claim 19, wherein each of the cartridges has a pair of wings extending from an outer surface thereof.

21. (New) The system of claim 19, wherein each of the cartridges has at least one slot formed in an inner surface thereof.

22. (New) The system of claim 18, and further comprising an interface seal that provides a substantially gas-tight seal between the receptacle and one of the cartridges that is attached to the wafer enclosure.

23. (New) The system of claim 18, wherein each of the cartridges may be removably attached to the receptacle without removing wafers from the wafer enclosure.

24. (New) The system of claim 18, wherein the receptacle is positioned on a bottom portion of the wafer enclosure.

25. (New) The system of claim 24, wherein the receptacle is at least partially recessed in the bottom portion.
26. (New) The system of claim 18, wherein the wafer enclosure is a SMIF pod.
27. (New) A method of selectively adapting a wafer enclosure to a desired purging capability, the wafer enclosure having an enclosure portion with an opening and a door to sealingly close the opening, wherein the enclosure has a receptacle, the method comprising:
providing a workstation having a work space and a set of cartridges that includes at least
two different cartridges selected from the group consisting of a valve, a filter, a
conditioning agent and a blank
selecting one of the cartridges from the set of cartridges that correlates to the desired
purging capability;
positioning the cartridge in the work space;
moving the cartridge into the receptacle; and
attaching the cartridge to the wafer enclosure through the receptacle.
28. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein one of the cartridges is moved into the receptacle with an elevator.
29. (New) The method of claim 27, and further comprising engaging the cartridge with a pair of keys that extend from the elevator.